



Project Update 11/7/2011

Dear Resident,

The Town of Arlington is pleased to report that the Thompson School Rebuild Project has begun. Demolition of the school will commence this fall with construction scheduled to begin in the spring of 2012. The project is being managed by PMA Consultants.

During the past week the Town's demolition contractor SMI (Southern Middlesex Industries) has been hired and mobilized to the Thompson school site.

For public safety, a large security fence has been installed around the building to keep the general public out of the demolition zone. Additionally, a siltation barrier has been constructed to keep any soils from escaping from the site.

Minor work has started on the interior of the building to remove cabinetry and lockers. This work will continue with most items being loaded out of the interior courtyard of the school to minimize any noise that this operation will create.

We estimate the start of asbestos removal in the building on Wednesday, November 9. The majority of this work will be contained to the interior of the building. During these operations all areas will be kept under full and safe containment, while under the direction of a registered asbestos removal hygienist. Estimated completion of this work is 4-6 weeks.

Once all asbestos is removed from the building the next activity will be the actual building demolition. During demolition the contractor will keep each area under demolition wet to minimize dust. Building demolition is estimated to commence in the middle of December 2011. Estimated duration of the building removal is 6 weeks.

A rodent control company will be hired to minimize any impact the demolition of the structure may cause to the surrounding neighborhood.

All work will be performed weekdays, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

No traffic or parking impacts are anticipated.

PMA Consultants will provide periodic project updates online at arlingtonma.gov.

If you have any questions about the project, please contact Brian DeFilippis, PMA Consultants, LLC at 617-756-6727.